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SUBJECT: GOE POLICE COVERAGE FOR US DIPLOMATIC MISSION AND
PERSONNEL IN CAIRO

REF: USUN 259; USUN 272

1. IN LIGHT OF REFTEL, PARTICULARLY INFO CONCERNING
POLICE PROTECTION PROVIDED EGYPTIAN UN MISSION, WE
THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE USEFUL TO REVIEW POLICE PROTECTION
CURRENTLY PROVIDED THIS EMBASSY AND CONGEN ALEXANDRIA
BY GOE.

A. THE EMBASSY CAIRO HAS THE FOLLOWING COVERAGE, 24 HOURS
A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK: EMBASSY COMPOUND PERIMETER
9 POLICEMEN; AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE - 4 POLICEMEN;
AMBASSADOR'S PROTECTIVE DETAIL (WHEN AMB DEPARTS
RESIDENCE) - 4 POLICEMEN; RESIDENCE OF EMBOFF ON
DIPLIST - 24.

B. CONGEN ALEXANDRIA HAS THE FOLLOWING COVERAGE, 24
HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK: TEMPORARY CONSULATE -
1 POLICEMAN; OLD CONSULATE BUILDING - 1 POLICEMAN;
RESIDENCES OF CONGEN OFFICERS - 3.

C. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT GOE IS PROVIDING 125 POLICEMEN
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FOR DAILY SECURITY COVERAGE IN CAIRO AND ALEXANDRIA.

2. GOE POLICE AUTHORITIES HAVE INFORMALLY COMMENTED ON QUESTION OF RECIPROCAL TREATMENT WITH RSO. MATTER HAS NOT BEEN RAISED FORMALLY, HOWEVER. TO DATE THERE HAS NOT BEEN ANY CHANGE IN POLICE PROTECTION.

3. IN 1964 EMBASSY CAIRO WAS ATTACKED IN EMOTIONAL AND DESTRUCTIVE DEMONSTRATIONS WHICH RESULTED IN 2 BUILDINGS ON EMBASSY COMPOUND BEING SEVERLY DAMAGED BY FIRE. IN 1967 THE CONSULATE AND THE USIS BUILDING IN ALEXANDRIA WERE SIMILARLY DAMAGED. PRESENT SENSITIVE POLITICAL SITUATION IN EGYPT AND POTENTIAL VOLATILE CROWD SITUATIONS NECESSITATE CONTINUED GOE POLICE COVERAGE.

4. EMBASSY SUGGESTS THAT DEPARTMENT TAKE THIS EXTENSIVE POLICE COVERAGE IN CAIRO AND ALEXANDRIA INTO CONSIDERATION WHEN CHANGES IN SECURITY FOR GOE INSTALLATIONS ON US SOIL ARE CONSIDERED.
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